



St. John the Baptist Church

St. Mary Church - Clearmont
St. Hubert Church - Kaycee

Office and Rectory

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St. John the Baptist Church

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 AM
Daily Mass T - F 8:00 AM
Holy Days
Anticipatory 6:00 PM
Day of... 7:00 AM

St. Mary Church, Clearmont

2nd & 4th Sunday 12:30pm

St. Hubert Church, Kaycee

1st & 3rd Sunday 2:00pm

Confessions Saturday 11:00am
Saturday after 5pm Mass
By Appointment

Parish Staff

Pastor	<i>Fr. Pete Johnson</i>	684-7268
Parish Administrator	<i>Mary Ann Cummins</i>	684-7268
CCW Leaders	<i>Lori Zink</i>	620-5113
Finance Council Chair	<i>Steve Reimann</i>	684-7439
Janitor	<i>Mick Camino</i>	217-1575
K of C Grand Knight	<i>Jason Sutton</i>	217-0468
Choir Director	<i>Mary Finney</i>	278-0137
Organist	<i>Judi Semroska</i>	684-2171
Parish Council Chair	<i>Mike Ihnat</i>	684-7698
Religious Education	<i>Carol Gagliano</i>	684-7217
Trustees	<i>Jean Urruty</i>	684-7093
	<i>Phil Gonzales</i>	684-5920

Religious Education / Meeting

Sunday, Nov. 12 – 11am-12:30pm Youth group

Tuesday, Nov. 14 – 10am Bible study class
7pm rectory class

Wednesday, Nov. 15 - 3:45pm CCD for K-4th
7pm for grades 5-7
7pm rectory class

Thursday, Nov. 16 - 7pm hall class

Saturday, Nov. 18 – 7pm RCIA

Sunday, Nov. 19 – 11am-12:30pm Youth group

Thursday, Nov. 23 – 9am Thanksgiving Day Mass

Baptisms – Please call Fr. Pete

Marriage – Planning and preparation 6 months in advance

Prayer line Requests – Patty Myers, 684-9381 or Jan Edgcomb – jmpe@wyoming.com

Rosary Guild – Thursdays at 8:30am to 10am; call 307-660-4936 for meeting place

Sacrament of the Sick – After first Sunday Masses or call the Parish Office

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Nov. 12, 2017

Altar Assisters:

SATURDAY, Nov. 18, 5pm

Lector: Keith Leppert

EM: Dennis Lawrence, Julie Seeman, Janelle Gonzales

Altar Servers: Kieran/Asher Murry

SUNDAY, Nov. 19, 8am

Lector: Volunteer

EM: Rick Anderson

Altar Servers: Ben/Bryce Camino, Matt Harrison, Joe Reimann, Gio Monterastelli, Tye Tanachion

SUNDAY, Nov. 19, 10am

Lector: Volunteer

EM: Volunteers

Altar Servers: Jaxon/Jeron Sutton, Carter Zink

Homebound Ministry, Friday, Nov. 17

Lynn Ridgeway

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK OF Nov. 5, 2017

St. John's	\$ 3,533.05	YTD \$ 74,768.35
St. Mary's	\$ 20.00	YTD \$ 1,692.15
St. Hubert's	\$ 330.00	YTD \$ 1,899.50
Poor Donations	\$ 910.00	
Online Donations	\$ 615.00	

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon.	11.13	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tue.	11.14	8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
		6:00 p.m.	all deceased Knights of Columbus
Wed.	11.15	8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Thu.	11.16	8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Fri.	11.17	8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
		8:30 a.m.	Adoration until 9:30 a.m.
Sat.	11.18	5:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Sun.	11.19	8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
		10:00 a.m.	for the parishes
		2:00 p.m.	Kaycee: Souls in Purgatory

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Mon-Wisdom 1:1-7; Gospel: Luke 17:1-6

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Tue-Wisdom 2:23—3:9; Gospel: Luke 17:7-10

Wed-Wisdom 6:1-11; Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Thu-Wisdom 7:22b—8:1; Gospel: Luke 17:20-25

Fri-Wisdom 13:1-9; Gospel: Luke 17:26-37

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Sat-Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

FR. PETE:

On Tuesday, November 14, there will be an evening Mass at 6:00 p.m. for the all deceased members of the Knights of Columbus. After Mass a dinner for all past Grand Knights will be catered at the parish hall. All parishioners are invited to attend Mass if they wish. Only Knights and their guests are invited to the dinner. For those who are taking the course "The Consolation of Philosophy," on Tuesday evenings we will still meet at our normal time.

Remember your deceased loved ones.

Death does not dissolve the bonds of love, affection and friendship we were graced to forge in this life. Those who died in friendship with God without the stain of mortal sin but had the effects of their sins cling to them are undergoing purification. God is a jealous lover of souls and will not permit any taint of sin to remain on the souls of those He loves. Our prayers, our works of charity performed on their behalf bring them comfort and when their purification comes to an end they in turn will pray for us. The names written in the book underneath the icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are remembered at every Mass this November. Please feel free to add to that list the names of as many departed loved ones you wish. Extra sheets are available for that purpose.

"Fr. Pete...Why do we say the Creed at every Sunday Mass. It takes so much time. Couldn't we do it once in a while?" The Creed is the expression of our Faith. But let me share an answer to your question that was given back in the fourth century by St. Cyril of Jerusalem who wrote a series of catechetical instructions, the early Church's RCIA program if you will:

In learning and professing the faith, you must accept and retain only the

Church's present tradition, confirmed as it is by the Scriptures. Although not everyone is able to read the Scriptures, some because they have never learned to read, others because their daily activities keep them from such study, still so that their souls will not be lost through ignorance, we have gathered together the whole of the faith in a few concise articles.

Now I order you to retain this creed for your nourishment throughout life and never to accept any alternative, not even if I myself were to change and say something contrary to what I am now teaching, not even if some angel of contradiction, changed into an angel of light, tried to lead you astray. For "even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to that which you have now received, let him be accursed in your sight."

So, for the present be content to listen to the simple words of the creed and to memorize them; at some suitable time, you can find the proof of each article in the Scriptures. This summary of the faith was not composed at man's whim; the most important sections were chosen from the whole Scripture to constitute and complete a comprehensive statement of the faith. Just as the mustard seed contains in a small grain many branches, so this brief statement of the faith keeps in its heart, as it were, all the religious truth to be found in Old and New Testament alike. That is why, my brothers, you must consider and preserve the traditions you are now receiving. Inscribe them across your heart.

Observe them scrupulously, so that no enemy may rob any of you in an idle and heedless moment; let not heretic deprive you

of what has been given to you. Faith is rather like depositing in a bank the money entrusted to you, and God will surely demand an account of what you have deposited. In the words of the Apostle: "I charge you before the God Who gives life to all things, and before Christ Who bore witness under Pontius Pilate in a splendid declaration," to keep unblemished this faith you have received, until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

You have now been given life's great treasure; when He comes the Lord will ask for what He has entrusted to you. "At the appointed time He will reveal Himself, for He is the blessed and sole Ruler, King of kings, Lord of lords. He alone is immortal, dwelling in unapproachable light. No man has seen or ever can see Him." To Him be glory, honor and power for ever and ever. Amen.

Christmas is fast approaching, and it will be a very short season this year.

Make every moment of Advent as a time to prepare and every moment of the short Christmas season count. The parish is looking at utilizing a program from Dynamic Catholic that every parishioner with a computer can utilize. More later.

The following is an update on the Living and Giving in Christ Campaign. The information was sent on November 7.

Parish	Goal	Amount Pledged	Amount Paid
St. John's	\$55,909	\$31,674	\$27,286
St. Mary's	1,192	1,217	1,217
St. Hubert's	1,110	910	710

Congratulations to the congregation at St. Mary's for making their goal! St. Hubert's is very close. St. John's...well...it's not too late!

If I am reading the report accurately a number of parishes are not making their goals.

I have included an insert in this bulletin. It gives the current *Living and Giving in Christ Campaign* results for all the parishes and missions. The total number of registered people, the goal of the parish, the amount parishioners have pledged, the amount they have paid and the percentage of those in the parish who gave is given for every parish and mission.

A parish's goal is the sum of 20% of its normal income plus 10% of extraordinary income.

“Fr. Pete...When is it a good time to have the “Santa Claus” talk with our children?”

Good question. I'm not sure how to answer it. I was not raised with those words, so it was never an issue. My parents instead referred to an historical person who is a real saint and therefore very much alive: St. Nicholas. Very often at the Christmas Masses I will ask children “Well...did St. Nicholas bring you something this year?” or “Did St. Nicholas bring you what you hoped for?” I never use the term “Santa Claus”. Frankly, as a child my friends' insistence that some big fat guy slid down your chimney in the middle of the night roaming around your house, eating your food while you were sleeping freaked me out. Perhaps you can simply start by switching terminology; i.e. use the term “St. Nicholas” instead of “Santa Claus”. This could be a small but effective way to restore a Christian identity to the secular nonsense. But I suggest you do your research first on St. Nicholas. Making a change in the title might bring on a lot of questions about the many myths surrounding the “Santa Claus” character.

“Fr. Pete...Please settle a dispute for my family. Some say the Christmas tree shouldn't go up until the first Sunday of Advent. Some say it can go up any time. Any right answer?” I'm not really the one to ask because I am a Christmas junkie. I enjoy everything about it. As a child the tree was not

brought into the house until the Feast of St. Lucy, December 13.

The nice thing about traditions, however, is their fluidity. You can create your own! My niece snitched on my sister and told me that she keeps her tree up all year but changes the decorations according to the season! That is a bit extreme for me, but to each his own. Considering how very short the Christmas season will be this year I am tempted to put my tree up rather early, even before Thanksgiving!

CCD – There will be no CCD classes on November 22, the night before Thanksgiving.

